

**IMPAIRED PROFESSIONALS PROCEDURE (IPP) TASK FORCE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2009**

PRESENT: Sheryl Graeber; Edward Krall (via teleconference); Kevin Martin; Julia Nelson; Sandra Osborn; Jeanne Severson; Judy Warmuth; Ernest Witzke; Shawnee Daniels-Sykes, Jack Zwieg, Sharon Henes

EXCUSED: Burt Wagner; Barbara McKinney, Jeanette Lytle

STAFF: Tom Ryan, Bureau Director; Amy Childers, Bureau Assistant; and other DRL Staff

GUESTS: Jeremy Levin, Rural Wisconsin Health Cooperative (RWHC)

CALL TO ORDER

Shawnee Daniels-Sykes, Facilitator, called the meeting to order at 12:21 p.m. A quorum of 10 members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendments:

- Item B (Open session) – Minutes of February 13, 2009 – replaces pages 3 - 6

MOTION: Judy Warmuth moved, seconded by Julia Nelson, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2009

Amendments:

- Page 2 of the minutes under Intent: The statement should read “To protect the public safety through a program that ensures rehabilitation through prevention and early intervention” NOT “To protect the Public safety from a program that ensures rehabilitation through prevention and early intervention.”

MOTION: Jack Zwieg moved, seconded by Judy Warmuth, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

PROJECT TIMELINE – ROADMAP TO RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee discussed the project timeline and recommendations. A discussion then ensued regarding outsourcing.

**NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS 2009 ANNUAL
CONFERENCE – APRIL 1-3, 2009 AUSTIN, TX – CONSIDER TASK FORCE MEMBER
ATTENDANCE**

MOTION: Sandra Osborn moved, seconded by Sheryl Graeber, to authorize Sharon Henes to attend the National Organization of Alternative programs 2009 Annual Conference, April 1-3, 2009 in Austin, Texas. Motion carried unanimously.

Edward Krall connected via telephone at 1:00 p.m.

**STATE OF MINNESOTA HEALTH PROFESSIONALS SERVICE PROGRAM –
OVERVIEW**

The Committee reviewed the State of Minnesota Health Professionals Service Program survey and discussed the following:

- The financial burden of urine screens and the number of urine screens that should be required per year.
- The financial burdens for the participants and the states (they were broad on this one).
- Relapse issues and bringing the Respondent before the Board.
- Provide an approved list of treatment providers to the respondent.
- Limitations on the amount of times a person can be in the program.
- peer support groups
- Communication reports should be sent to treatment providers and Board/State (I did not understand this one either).

WIS. ADMIN. CODE § CHAPTER RL 7 WORKING DRAFT – DISCUSSION

The Committee reviewed the working draft of Chapter RL 7 and below is some recommended changes.

Recommendations:

- 7.03:
 - There needs to be set criteria to be eligible for the program.
- 7.04:
 - Encourage peer support groups and/or a support group of people who have gone through the IPP.
- 7.05(d):
 - Make it mandatory that drug screen tests also be supplied to the treatment provider and to the Department.
- 7.06:
 - The Department will approve treatment facilities and therapists for use
- Prospectively, data should be collected on the program and the efficacy so the Board, program and Department can make improvements as needed.

- The Secretary shall create a committee that will meet annually to review the data collected by the Department.
- The confidentiality of the program and its content need to be reviewed.
- Provide training for the Board liaisons.
- A failure to maintain abstinence is considered a relapse.
- Individual practitioners must report all uses of alcohol and other drugs within 24 hours.
- A partnership with professional organizations should be created to develop an educational training program to educate employers and individual licensees on the intent of the IPP program.
- Need a resource list of people who would be mentors for those who are mandated to go through the IPP to help them better understand the goals and objectives of the IPP.

Edward Krall disconnected via teleconference at 2:45 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Noted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

OTHER TASK FORCE BUSINESS

None.

NEXT STEPS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jack Zweg moved, seconded by Julia Nelson, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 24, 2009 AT 12:00 P.M.